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Mr. Robert Litle  
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Re: Vasquez Boulevard/ Interstate 70 (VB/I70)  
Proposed NPL Site

Dear Bob:

I am pleased to transmit for your review the enclosed EPA document, "Draft Project Plan for the Vasquez Boulevard & Interstate 70 (VB/I70) Site, Phase III Field Investigation". EPA's objective for the Phase III project is to collect sufficient data to adequately characterize the nature and extent of environmental contamination within the residential areas of the VB/I70 Site (including parks and schools) and to support reliable risk assessment calculations and risk management decisions for these areas. The document reflects input from the VB/I70 Working Group in many discussions over the last several months.

The document is still in draft form and EPA is seeking your review before we issue the final document. You will note that we are awaiting the results of a small-scale study before we finalize the contaminants of concern. In addition, some figures are still being developed and will be included in the final plan.

Please provide me with any comments you have in writing by July 12, 1999. Receipt of your comments by this date will ensure that EPA has sufficient time to make necessary modifications to allow implementation of the plan to begin on July 26, 1999. If you have questions during your review, please call me at (303) 312-6579.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Lavelle  
Remedial Project Manager

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